

THE HONORABLE MARC L. BARRECA

Hearing Date: June 22, 2012

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Chapter 7

THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

Case No. 10-19817

In re

ADAM R. GROSSMAN,

Debtor.

AMENDED RESPONSE TO
SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT
REGARDING TRUSTEE'S MOTION TO
APPROVE SETTLEMENT OF ISSUES
RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 868 MONTCREST DRIVE,
REDDING CALIFORNIA 96003

COMES NOW the Debtor, Adam R. Grossman, by and through his attorney of record
Jeffrey B. Wells, and in reply to the trustee's supplemental submission in support of settlement,
states as follows.

The Effect of Settlement on Creditors

The trustee submits an analysis which he uses to suggest that a denial of the proposed
settlement would have a negative impact on the estate and would unduly burden Ms. Borodin at
the expense of the unsecured creditors. This analysis lacks basis in legal authority, self-
consistency, and proper accounting.

In summary, the settlement should be rejected based upon the factors discussed in A&C

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1 Properties 784 F.2d 1377 (9th Cir. 1986).

2 **A. Probability of Success in Litigation.**

3 Debtor previously served as managing member for the SEC-regulated entity that
4 currently holds lawful interest in the subject property. He is quite certain that substantial
5 litigation will prevail.

6 **B. Difficulties to be encountered in the matter of collection.**

7 As the Trustee states, this factor is not applicable.

8 **C. Complexity of litigation and expense, inconvenience and delay attendant**
9 **therewith.**

10 The Trustee originally estimated a \$10,000 cost to resolve the question of the inclusion of
11 the Montcrest property in the estate. Subsequent pleadings have mentioned \$25,000. The
12 trustee's estimate that legal fees in attempting to obtain an order that the Montcrest property
13 can be used to pay community net would amount to \$25,000 seems high. Other than preparing
14 an adversary complaint it would seem that the question as to whether the Montcrest property is
15 property of the estate is a legal question and would be susceptible to a summary judgment
16 motion. While the trustee may not wish to use the material submitted by the Debtor on this
17 question to date arguing that the Montcrest property is property of the estate, it would seem that
18 the trustee could fashion his own summary judgment motion using that material without much
19 difficulty. Summary judgment ought not to cost more than the original \$10,000 estimate.

20 **D. Best Interest of Creditors.**

21 Debtor will file a motion for alternative administration of the estate prior to the hearing

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1 which provides a significantly better scenario for creditors.

2 The settlement should be rejected. A decision affecting the interests of many parties and
3 the presentation of only one possible settlement scenario between the trustee and a single
4 creditor is, at best, incomplete, absent the opportunity to consider with similar detail and full
5 knowledge other possible scenarios. An opportunity for comparison will allow the best decision
6 making and choice for a settlement that is in the best in interests of creditors.
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9 Dated this 21st day of June, 2012.

10 /s/ Jeffrey B. Wells
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12 Attorney for the Debtor
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